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KIRK KILLER CAPTURED

Tangi Times Report

It was a modern-day 'shot heard 'round the world,' as almost nobody on Planet Earth was unaware by nightfall last Wednesday, September 10, 2025, that legendary and beloved conservative youth leader Charlie Kirk had been assassinated by sniper fire at a rally before approximately 3,000 people in the courtyard of Utah Valley University (UVU) early that afternoon.

According to FBI Director Kash Patel, federal agents were on the scene within 16 minutes. A manhunt ensued, and at least two persons of interest were detained and released on Wednesday and Thursday. According to Patel, as of Friday morning, his agents had been sifting through 11,000+ leads.

On Thursday evening at approximately 10:00pm local time (11:00pm CDT), FBI agents had a viable suspect in custody. President Donald Trump announced the capture on the Fox & Friends television show on Friday morning.

"I think with a high degree of certainty, we have him," said Trump. "In custody."

"Essentially, someone that was very close to him turned him in."

The person in custody is 22-year-old Tyler Robinson, who lives in St. George, Utah, near Zion National Park, about 250 miles southwest of the UVU campus where Kirk was assassinated.

According to reports, Robinson's father recognized him from the FBI images shared on media and social media and urged him to turn himself in to police after Robinson confessed to him that he was the killer.

Robinson refused to surrender and expressed that he would sooner choose suicide, so the father contacted a family friend/youth pastor, who called U.S. Marshals to detain Robinson.

According to Utah Governor Spencer Cox, "The family member [presumably the father] referenced a recent incident in which Robinson came to dinner prior to September 10, and in the conversation with another family member, Robinson mentioned Charlie Kirk was coming to UVU."

Investigators reported that a family member told them that Robinson had become more political in recent years. While it was unclear who made the comment, reports state that there was a mention of how "Kirk was full of hate and spreading hate."

Investigators also interviewed Robinson's roommate, who

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Team Fast vs. Team Snack

By STEFANIE BROOKE • Tangi Times Community Journalist

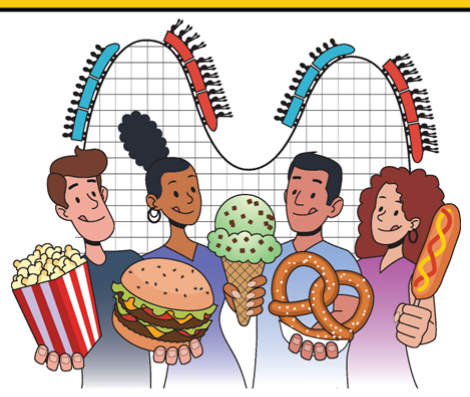
If you've been within ten feet of a health podcast, a fitness blog, or that one co-worker who swears by their "lifestyle plan," you've probably heard of intermittent fasting. The idea is simple: eat during certain windows of time and fast the rest. Supposedly it resets your metabolism, trims the waistline, and makes you feel like a superhero.

On the other end of the table sits the "snack all day" crew, popping almonds like they're medicine and insisting that small meals keep your energy up.

Down here in south Louisiana, where mealtimes are practically sacred and everything from boudin to king cake shows up unannounced, choosing between fasting and grazing can feel like picking between LSU and Tulane at a tailgate.

So, what does the science say? Surprisingly, both sides have a point.

Intermittent fasting, when done safely, can help with weight loss and blood sugar control. Studies



suggest the body gets a little reset during fasting periods, improving things like insulin sensitivity. That's good news for anyone trying to ward off the dreaded mid-afternoon crash.

But — and here's the gumbo-sized "but" — snacking wisely throughout the day has benefits, too. Frequent small meals can keep energy levels steady, prevent overeating at dinner, and for some folks, keep moods from going swampy.

The real kicker is that neither approach guarantees a magic fix. Nutritionists will tell you the quality of what you eat still matters more than when you eat it.

So, swapping a sausage po'boy for celery sticks because your clock says "snack time" won't make your jeans fit any better.

And fasting doesn't mean you can break your fast with a platter of beignets and call it balanced.

Here in south Louisiana, we've always known food is about more than fuel. It's about culture, connection, and that irresistible smell of jambalaya drifting through the neighborhood.

So maybe the trick is less about choosing "Team Fast" or "Team Snack" and more about finding what actually fits into your life.

If fasting means you're skipping breakfast but still happily joining coworkers for a Friday plate lunch, great. If snacking means you're not ravenous by the time the gumbo hits the table, that's a win too.

At the end of the day, science gives us permission to relax. Both approaches can work when done sensibly, and both can backfire when done with a side of fried everything.

The best advice? Listen to your body, eat real food when you can, and don't let the latest diet trend rob you of the joy of eating.

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How did people figure out which mushrooms are safe to eat?

Was it trial and error, like, "This one tastes like buffalo, this one killed Malachai immediately, and this one made everyone see psychedelic dragons?"

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Mr. Owl ate my metal worm

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Back in My Day

By Burl "Two-Toes" Jenkins

Back in my day, if you wanted to show off a new dance, you did it in the VFW hall with a live band and about four beers in your system. These days, apparently you just prop up your phone, flap your arms like a confused chicken, and boom — you're "viral."

I thought viral was something you caught from bad potato salad at the church picnic, but turns out it's now a compliment.

My grandniece said, "Uncle Burl, you'd be great on TikTok." I said, "What's a TikTok? Sounds like something you take for heartburn."

But she shoved a phone in my hand and next thing I know I'm scrolling through teenagers dancing, dogs wearing sunglasses, and one lady teaching you how to fold a fitted sheet. I've been fighting that battle for 40 years and I'll be danged if I let a video beat me.

Well, she hit record and told me to "just do something funny."

Now, I don't know about you, but my idea of funny is hollering "whoopee" when the fish fry oil pops or sneaking an extra scoop of potato salad when Aunt Thelma ain't looking. So I did what any respectable 78-year-old man would do: I balanced a spoon on my nose and tried to sing "Jambalaya" at the same time.

For reasons I still don't understand, 1,200 strangers gave me a heart symbol, and one fella commented "slay, king." I hope that's good.

I tried another one where I gave serious advice — "never trust a man who eats gumbo with a fork" — and that one really took off. Suddenly, I'm "content."

Back in my day, content meant you had a full belly and a nap waiting. Now it means strangers want to see you wrestle your lawn mower while your neighbor's goat eats the laundry off the line.

Don't get me wrong, I can see the appeal. I get to holler my opinions without anybody telling me to hush.

Folks laugh, share it around, and somebody even asked me to "collab." I thought he meant he wanted to co-laborers on the church roof, but apparently it means dance next to me in split screen.

Still, TikTok ain't all glory. I spent three hours watching crawfish boil hacks I'll never use and videos of raccoons washing grapes.

And when I put the phone down, my left leg was asleep, and my cat had licked all the butter off my cornbread.

So, I'll keep dabbling, but truth be told, I miss the days when you didn't need an app to prove you were funny. All you needed was a front porch, a cold drink, and somebody willing to listen to you carry on.

Though, I reckon if TikTok had been around back in my day, we'd have been stars. Me and my cousin Earl once got stuck in a canoe on dry land for two hours — that clip alone would've broken the internet.

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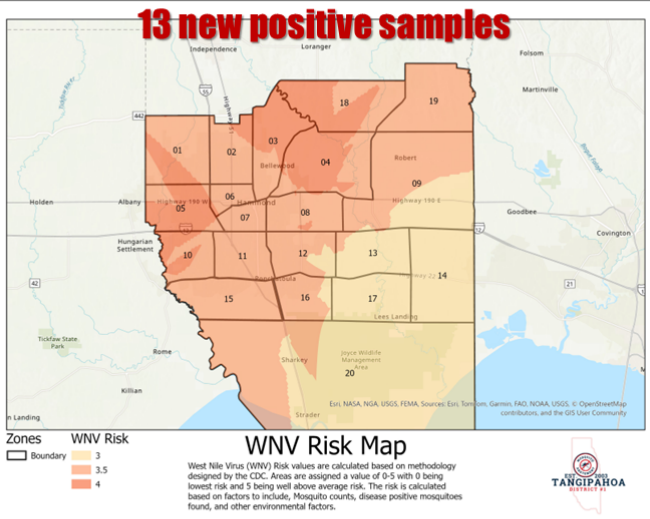
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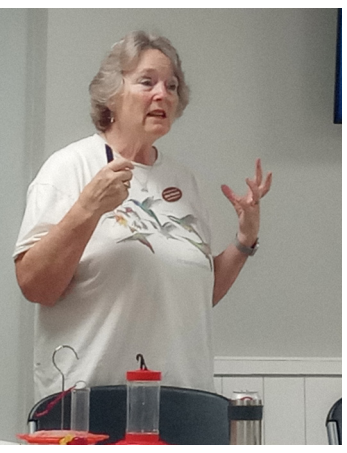
There have been two reported human cases in our district this year. Visit www.tangimosquito.org for more information and advice to reduce mosquito activity.

Gardenettes September Meeting

From the Gardenettes



(Courtesy Photo)
Jane Patterson, an authority on birds, especially hummingbirds, addressed the Gardenettes at their September meeting. She distributed handouts on plants that attract these beautiful birds.

Jane Patterson, president of the Baton Rouge Audubon Society, gave an in-depth program on hummingbirds, their feeding habits and the plants to grow to attract them to your backyard. She spoke at the Gardenettes September 9 meeting held in the Strawberry Festival Building in Memorial Park.

Members welcomed new member, Randy Wheeler, at this first meeting of their garden club year. The group belongs to District VI, Louisiana Garden Club Federation Inc., Deep South Garden Clubs Inc. and National Garden Clubs Inc.

Plans were made to present September Garden of the Month to Gwen Prevost Anderson, 42627 Brown Road. A discussion of the Genesis program for commercial landscaping and improvements was conducted, and members were asked to consider renewing the program in the coming year.

Also discussed were the District VI Fall Meeting to be held at the Maritime Museum in Madisonville next month. The club discussed contributing to a charity for Christmas in lieu of a gift exchange. An arrangement with a Japanese theme and horticulture specimens were supplied by Margaret Bailey.

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A little bit of everything you need to know

Tangipahoa Parish School Superintendent Melissa Martin Stilley announced during a live social media update that 1,099 students are currently on the district's Truancy List, which includes children who have missed at least five days of school without a parent or doctor's note. Stilley urged families to work with their schools to submit proper documentation and address attendance issues promptly so students can be removed from the list, emphasizing the importance of consistent attendance for academic success.

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The Washington Parish Sheriff's Office quickly removed an online threat to Mount Hermon School on September 11 after a student posted a weapon-related message on social media. The FBI alerted deputies within minutes, prompting a rapid parish-wide response and a brief lockdown while faculty and staff followed safety protocols. No active threat was found, and Sheriff Jason Smith praised school employees for their swift action and noted that the sheriff's office continues working with all parish schools to refine emergency policies and procedures.

The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office reports that a 14-year-old male from the Tickfaw area has been identified and arrested in connection with a weekend spree of vehicle burglaries. He is booked into the Florida Parishes Juvenile Detention Center on 15 counts of vehicle burglary and two counts of possessing a stolen firearm, with additional charges expected as the investigation continues. Deputies say more than 15 vehicles were broken into overnight September 6–7 on Chapel Road in Tickfaw and Chandler Place in Hammond, and at least one stolen gun was recovered. Authorities ask anyone with further information to contact the Criminal Investigations Office at 985-902-2088 or provide an anonymous tip through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa.

In partnership with our state and federal grant funders, Tangipahoa Parish has been very successful in helping families living in areas with repeated flood loss to elevate their homes. Want to learn more about home elevation grants? We are hosting a meeting on Thursday, Sept. 18, to answer all of your questions. Please make plans to join us at 6pm at our Clausen Building, located at 15485 W. Club Deluxe Road in Hammond.

Is your high school student interested in attending one of America's Service Academies? Next Saturday, September 20, you are invited to attend Service Academy Day with your student! This is a great opportunity to learn more about the application process and meet with representatives from our Louisiana Delegation's offices. Please make plans to attend! For more information, call (225) 929-7711.

Hammond Rotary Announces 67th Christmas Parade

The Hammond Rotary Club is thrilled to announce that this year's annual Christmas Parade will take place on Friday, December 6 at 6:00pm. The Club is especially excited to welcome Louis Joseph, beloved community leader and Tangipahoa Parish Councilman, as the 2025 Grand Marshal.

This year's parade, sponsored by Oasis Point Rehabilitation Hospital, will celebrate the festive theme of "Cajun Christmas." Spectators can look forward to a joyful evening filled with dazzling floats, marching bands, dance groups, and — of course — a special appearance by Santa Claus himself. The parade will roll from Strawberry Stadium's parking lot through downtown Hammond, offering plenty of great viewing spots along the way.

About the Grand Marshal

Known for his dedication, volunteerism, and service to Tangipahoa Parish, Louis Joseph embodies the true spirit of community. He will lead the parade in style, greeting spectators from a beautifully decorated vehicle as holiday cheer fills the streets.

"We are thrilled to have Louis Joseph as this year's Grand Marshal," said Daryl Ferrara, co-parade chair. "His presence will add a special touch to our parade and make this beloved holiday tradition even more memorable."

The Hammond Rotary Club is also deeply grateful to its longtime supporters.

- The Ciolino family, owners of Star Equipment, continue to play an essential role in making the Hammond Christmas Parade possible.

- Donna and Robby Miller, owners of PJ's Coffee in Downtown Hammond, will once again graciously host the judging stand, providing a warm welcome to this year's panel.

Parade narration will be provided by Amber Narro and Joe Burns, who will emcee from the corner of Magnolia and Thomas Streets as the floats, vehicles, walking groups, and bands pass by.

Organized each year by the Hammond Rotary Club with the help of local businesses and volunteers, the Christmas Parade is free and open to the public, making it a perfect outing for families and friends to celebrate the holiday season.

Don't miss one of Hammond's most cherished traditions! Mark your calendars and join us downtown on December 6th as we come together for an evening of joy, community, and holiday magic. Those interested in participating in the Christmas Parade, visit www.hammondrotary.com or email parade@hammondrotary.com. Deadline to submit registration is November 24.

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This year's game will feature two OPTIONS participant teams, the Orange Rockets and the Purple Knights, as they compete for the title of Ballin' 4 OPTIONS Champions. The community is invited to attend this family-friendly event, which promises an afternoon filled with energy, excitement, and community pride. Admission is free for all attendees.

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BOARD AGENDA - Sep 02 2025 Minutes
Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at 6:00 PM
Central Office Board Room , 59656 Pulston Rd Amite, LA 70422

1. OPENING ITEMS
A. Roll Call
B. Pledge of Allegiance (All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute) - Robin Abrams
Mrs. Robin Abrams led the Pledge of Allegiance.
C. Consider approval of Board minutes of DATE
BOARD AGENDA - Aug 19 2025 - Minutes - Html
Motion to approve
Moved by: Glenn Westmoreland
Seconded by: Joey Piazza
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 7-0
D. Consider the approval of the DRC Appeals - Board Minutes of August 27th, 2025
DRC Appeals - BOARD AGENDA - Aug 27 2025 - Minutes - Html
Motion to approve
Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Glenn Westmoreland
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Joey Piazza, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Nay Jerry Moore
Motion Carries 6-1
2. AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS
A. Recognize 2025 YEA Entrepreneur - Dr. Lisa Fussell
Dr. Lisa Fussell, Assistant Superintendent; Ms. Cynthia Widlitze; Ms. Melissa Stilley, Superintendent; and Mr. Tom Tolar, Board President, presented the 2025 YEA Award to Hammond High Magnet School student Libney Hernandez.
B. Recognize the recipient of the Enos "Jake" Bailey Jr. Above and Beyond Award. - Trent Anthony
Above and Beyond - Simmons.pdf
President Tolar pulled this item.
3. ACADEMIC UPDATE
A. Presentation and Consideration of the 2025-26 Pupil Progression Plan. - Chasity Liuzza
2025-2026 TPSS Pupil Progression Plan. docx.pdf
Dr. Fussell advised that there were no changes to the 2025-26 Pupil Progression Plan.
Motion to approve.
Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Rose Dominguez
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Motion Carries 7-0
4. FINANCIAL UPDATES
A. Discuss the YTD Budget to Actual Comparison Schedule ending June 2025 - Jeff McKneely
YTD Budget - June All Funds.pdf
YTD Budget - June Gen Fund Budget.pdf
This item was pulled from the agenda.
5. COMMITTEE REPORTS
A. Capital Outlay Committee of a Whole - August 19, 2025 CAPITAL OUTLAY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Aug 19 2025 - Minutes - Html
Motion to approve.
Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Glenn Westmoreland
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 7-0
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B. Policy Committee of a Whole - August 27th, 2025
Minutes 08-27-25.pdf
Motion to approve items A - H.
Moved by: Glenn Westmoreland
Seconded by: Joey Piazza
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 7-0
Motion to approve Item "I" as amended in accordance with the recommendations from Forthought, with the removal of the statement: "Parents/guardians shall be financially responsible for device testing fees and mandated education programs.'"
Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Rose Dominguez
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 7-0
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6. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATION
A. Consider approval to refer Policy EE - Child Nutrition Program Management - FT
EE - Child Nutrition Program Management - FT 8.28.pdf
Motion to approve
Moved by: Glenn Westmoreland
Seconded by: Trent Anthony
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 7-0
B. General Updates
Superintendent Stilley reported that she is working in partnership with the Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Department and the national program Eddie the Eagle, which provides firearm safety education for children.
Mrs. Stilley also reminded parents of bus riders to download the Eulog app for bus tracking. Area managers are utilizing the app to communicate with parents and provide timely updates.
7. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE
A. Board Member Comments
Ms. Abrams, extended prayers for teacher Mrs. Johnson and her family. She also discussed the "Little Miss Louisiana Pageant" and encouraged participation.
Mr. Piazza, commended the administration and Superintendent Stilley for their actions during the Roseland crisis. He also recognized student Libney Hernandez, recipient of the YEA Award, for her achievements. Mr. Piazza expressed appreciation to the Board for its work on the vaping policy and concluded his remarks by welcoming back Coach Palmer to the Saints.
Mr. Anthony, commended the Board for its response to the Roseland crisis and reminded all to practice seat belt safety.
Mr. Tolar, commends the Board on the handling of the Roseland crisis. Mr. Tolar advised that every student and school should have a plan in place to learn.
(Roseland) Requested for the board to continue praying for the Ham family.
8. LITIGATION
A. Motion to enter Executive Session to consider the cases of Joyce M. Moore.
Motion to approve
Moved by: Glenn Westmoreland
Seconded by: Trent Anthony
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 7-0
B. Consider the case of Joyce M. Moore vs. TPSB, USDC, Eastern District of Louisiana, No. 65-15556, Section B(1) - Ashley Bass
There was no action on this item.
9. PUBLIC INPUT
There was no public input.
10. Adjournment
A. Adjourn Meeting
The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:08pm

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The Tangipahoa Parish School System (TPSS) is now accepting applications for the following:

POSITION: Paraprofessional (9 Month)
SALARY: $19,614 – $30,431 (Based on verified years of relevant experience)
LOCATION: To Be Determined

CRITERIA:
- Must have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent

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- Highly Qualified
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  b. Bachelors degree
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    i. 3 hours in English Language Arts
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OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

PROJECT: **TANGIPAHOA PARISH LORANGER LIBRARY – COMMUNITY BUILDING**

BID DATE: Sealed bids will be received on : **October 14, 2025 @ 2:00 pm in the Parish Council Chambers in Amite, LA**

OWNER: Tangipahoa Parish Government
206 E. Mulberry St.
Amite, LA 70422

PLACE: Bids will be received by HOLLY & SMITH ARCHITECTS, APAC, for the Tangipahoa Parish Government at their office located at 206 E. Mulberry St., Amite, LA 70422 and will be opened and read aloud.

All bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing legibly on the exterior, the following:

1. Job Name and Owner
2. Architect
3. Date
4. Contractor's Name, Address, and License Number

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of bid.

All Drawings, Specifications, and other Contract Documents for the project are on file and open for inspection at the offices of HOLLY & SMITH ARCHITECTS, A Professional Architectural Corporation, 208 North Cate Street, Hammond, Louisiana.

Complete Bid Documents for this project are available in electronic form. They may be obtained without charge and without deposit from Holly & Smith Architects, APAC. Printed copies are not available from the Designer, but arrangements can be made to obtain them through most reprographic firms. Plan holders are responsible for their own reproduction costs. Questions about this procedure shall be directed to the Designer at:

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208 N CATE STREET
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(985) 345-5210
hsa@hollyandsmith.com

A Pre-Bid Conference is scheduled for September 25, 2025 at 2:00 P.M. at the project site, 54283 Hwy LA 1062, Loranger, LA 70446.

All bidders shall meet the requirements of the State of Louisiana Contractor's Licensing law, Louisiana Revised Statute 37:2150 through 2164, as amended.

Sureties used for obtaining Bonds must appear as acceptable on the Department of Treasury Circular 570.

As a requirement under Louisiana Revised Statute 37:2163, this project is classified as Building Construction.

In accordance with R.S 38:2212 (A) (1)(b), the provisions and requirements stated in the Advertisement for Bids and those required on the Bid Form shall not be considered as informalities and shall not be waived.

Any person with disabilities requiring special accommodations must contact Tangipahoa Parish Government no later than seven (7) days prior to the bid opening and pre-bid conference.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Bidders have the option to submit bids electronically with Louisiana Revised Statute 38:2212 A(1)(f)(i). Bids submitted electronically shall be submitted to www.centralauctionhouse.com .

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PUBLIC NOTICE
OPPORTUNITY FOR REQUESTING A PUBLIC HEARING

All interested persons are hereby advised that the Tangipahoa Parish Council-President Government has applied to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for project funding under the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 and/or 5311 for the following:

PROJECT: Tangipahoa Parish Council- President Government is preparing to replace existing equipment to continue transportation services in Tangipahoa Parish. Further details relative to the project are available from Debi Fleming, 106 N. Bay St., Amite, LA 70422 (985) 748-7486.

Interested persons are advised that they may request that a public hearing be conducted to provide a means for the public to express their views relative to the proposed project on the probable social, economic and environmental effects involved. In lieu of requesting a public hearing, interested persons may submit their comments in writing.

Written requests for a public hearing and/or submittal of comments must be postmarked on or before _____ Tuesday, September 30, 2025, and should be addressed to Debi Fleming, 106 N. Bay Street, Amite, Louisiana 70422.

Should a public hearing be required, a public notice will be published stating the date, time and location of the hearing.

S/ Jill DeSouge, Clerk of Council
Tangipahoa Parish Council

Publication Date: Friday, August 29, 2025 - Monday, September 15, 2025
Cost of notice:$ 24.00

PUBLIC NOTICE
Ponchatoula Area Recreation District #1

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District #1 will consider and take action on the adoption of new Board Bylaws at its regularly scheduled meeting.
Item for Consideration:
Ponchatoula Area Recreation District #1 Board of Directors Bylaws. New bylaws have been drafted and reviewed by legal counsel due to the original bylaws being unavailable.
Date: Thursday, September 25, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: 19030 Ponchatoula Park Dr, Ponchatoula, LA 70454
This meeting is open to the public, and all interested parties are invited to attend.
By Order of the Board of Directors
Ponchatoula Area Recreation District #1

cost for notice: $11.03

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bids will be accepted by the Board of Commissioners of the Tangipahoa Parish Rural Fire Protection District No. 2 of Tangipahoa Parish, State of Louisiana, c/o David Atkins, Fire Administrator, Post Office Box 818, Amite, Louisiana, 70422, until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 31, 2025, for selection of a fiscal agent to enter into a three (3) year fiscal agency contract for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028, for the deposit of funds belonging to the Tangipahoa Parish Rural Fire Protection District No. 2. Interested parties may obtain bid specifications by contacting David Atkins, Fire Administrator, at (985) 969-5976.

Publish Three Times: Monday, September 15, 2025
Wednesday, September 17, 2025
Wednesday, September 24, 2025

cost for notice: $10.00

Tangipahoa Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau
Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, September 17, 2025

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Public Input
IV. Approval of Minutes
  a. August minutes
V. Treasurer's Report
  a. August Financial Reports
  b. CD Maturity
VI. Director's Report
  a. KOE Celtic Heritage Festival – September 20, 2025
  b. Running for Help for New Heights
  c. SLU African American Alumni Chapter Homecoming
  d. Krewe of Omega 2026 Parade and Ball
VII. Old Business
VIII. New Business
IX. Adjournment
Tangipahoa Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau's Board of Director's Regular Month Meeting will be held Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 12 o'clock NOON At the Tangipahoa Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau, 13143 Wardline Road, Hammond, LA 70401

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SLITHERY THINGS

So misunderstood!

By Kevin Hood
Louisiana Snake ID

Look at that Worm.. Oh Wait - is That a Snake?

Imagine working in your flowerbed or garden, moving around some dirt and mulch, and you see a small worm slither quite differently than what you're used to. Are you sure it's a worm?

Looking closer, you'll often see that the little "worm-like" creature you found is actually a baby snake! Don't freak out – we have quite a few species of fossorial snakes that give birth to extremely tiny and very beneficial babies.

The most commonly encountered fossorial snake is the Dekay's brown snake, which people often incorrectly call a "ground rattler." A ground rattler is not a type of snake, so where is this coming from?

One of the things we discuss at shows is the defense mechanisms that snakes use to protect themselves from predators. Snakes will vibrate their tails when scared, not to mimic a rattlesnake, but rather just to make noise to let people know they're there.

Because most people don't realize that even non-venomous snakes vibrate or "rattle" their tails, they mistakenly call harmless snakes like Dekay's brown snakes "ground rattlers."

Fossorial means that the species is adapted to and spends most of its life living underground, often in burrows or beneath debris like logs and rocks. These snakes stay small even as full-grown adults, but as newly born babies, they're small enough to curl up and lay on top of a dime!

These snakes are your garden and flowerbed's best friends as they eat snails, slugs, aphids and other tiny pests that damage plants, fruits and vegetables. These guys pose zero risk to humans and are extremely beneficial to the success of your crops and flowers.

A few other fossorial species you may encounter are earth snakes, ringneck snakes, worm snakes, and even hognose snakes.

The more people learn about snakes, the less they'll be afraid of them, and this is why we do what we do. We want people to be able to enjoy their gardens and flowerbeds and to be excited when they encounter snakes.

Through education, we want people to learn that snakes don't eat plants, fruits, vegetables or flowers, so if you see them, they're only there to eat the pests you don't want around. From snails to slugs to mice, rats, squirrels and rabbits, snakes eat all of them.

Snakes are a poison-free and chemical-free natural pest control; just let them do their jobs protecting you and your food.

As always, if you ever encounter a snake or have

KILLER

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showed them his messages with Robinson on a messaging app called Discord. In the messages, "Tyler" (the single name identifying the second party in the messages) mentioned a need to retrieve a rifle from a "drop point" and that the rifle was left in a bush, wrapped in a towel.

On Thursday, the FBI reported that they had found the suspected murder weapon wrapped in a towel in a wooded area near campus. The weapon is a Mauser .30-06 bolt action rifle, possibly a Model 98, fixed with a scope.

Mauser is a German manufacturer that has been producing military-grade rifles since 1898. The Mauser 98 has a retail price of over $2,000.

Found with the rifle were bullets with the cas-

ings engraved with inscriptions, including "hey fascist! CATCH!" and "O Bella ciao, Bella ciao, Bella ciao, Ciao, ciao!" and "If you read This, you are GAY Lmao."

"Bella Ciao" is an Italian folk song about sacrifice, freedom, and resistance. Its meaning evolved from an anthem for World War II Italian anti-fascist activists as a symbol of defiance against injustice, oppression, and authoritarianism. The song was featured in the popular 2021 Netflix series Money Heist.

Governor Cox said he was not aware of any potential further arrests in the investigation, though many skeptics question whether Robinson had co-conspirators.

Utah state prosecutors plan to file formal charges against Robinson on Tuesday.

Greater Amberjack Season Closed by LDWF DoE

From LDWF

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) issued a Declaration of Emergency to close the commercial Greater Amberjack season at 12:01am on September 11, 2025. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries has announced that the commercial season for the harvest of Greater Amberjack will close in federal waters at 12:01am on September 2, 2025, and remain closed until the start of the regularly scheduled 2026 season, currently January 1, 2026.

This closure is necessary because NOAA Fisheries projected that the commercial annual catch target of 93,930 pounds whole weight would be met on September 2, 2025.

After the closure, no person shall commercially harvest, possess, purchase, barter, trade, sell, or attempt to purchase, barter, trade, or sell Greater Amberjack. Nothing shall prohibit the sale of Greater Amberjack legally taken prior to the closure, providing that all commercial dealers possessing Greater Amberjack taken legally prior to the closure shall maintain appropriate records.

Recreational Amberjack season will remain open through October 31.

Safety Tip of the Day

CHILD SAFETY TIPS

NEVER LET YOUR CHILD GO TO THE RESTROOM ALONE. ALWAYS CLEAR THE BATHROOM FIRST, INCLUDING THE STALLS, AND BETTER YET, GO IN WITH THEM. PREDATORS LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES IN PLACES WHERE KIDS ARE LEFT VULNERABLE. A SIMPLE CHECK TAKES SECONDS, BUT IT COULD PROTECT YOUR CHILD FROM DANGER.

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3rd week of September

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
This week sharpens your focus with daily routines and well-being, Aries. It's an excellent time to streamline your schedule, tackle neglected tasks and prioritize self-care.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Creativity and joy are themes for you this week, Taurus. Engage in hobbies, spend time with loved ones and embrace fun pursuits. Your artistic side may be especially inspired.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Your home and family life take center stage right now, Gemini. You might be focused on domestic projects, redecorating or spending quality time with the people you love.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Communication is key this week, Cancer. Expect a busy social calendar. Important conversations and new learning opportunities also may pop up. Your words carry weight.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, financial matters are center stage this week. This is a good time to review your budget, look for new income or make sensible investments. Your practical instincts are strong.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
This week is all about you, Virgo, especially if your birthday falls during these days. Focus on personal goals and self-improvement. Set strong intentions for the year ahead.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
It is time for rest and introspection, Libra. You might feel a need to retreat and recharge your batteries in the days to come. Pay attention to what your body is telling you.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Social connections and networking are driving you right now, Scorpio. Spend time with friends or host a party so others can stop by and mingle. You also can join group events.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, your career and public image are in focus this week. Opportunities for advancement or recognition could arise. Be professional and show off your leadership skills.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Expand your horizons, Capricorn. This is a great week for learning, planning travel or exploring new hobbies. Try to step outside of your comfort zone as much as possible.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you might be dealing with financial arrangements or deepening a close bond with someone. Regardless, trust and vulnerability are important concepts right now.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Personal and professional relationships are your priority this week, Pisces. It's important to compromise and seek harmony in all you do.

Attention Tangipahoa Parish District 10 Residents

Join District 10 Councilwoman Strader Cieutat for a

Town Hall Meeting

to learn about updates in District 10

Wednesday
October 1
6:00-7:00pm

Fire Station #2
610 E. Pine St.
Ponchatoula

985-355-0588
district10@tangipahoa.org
Strader Dufreche Cieutat - Tangipahoa Parish Council

Our Wild, Wild World

By Kasia Perkowska

The North American Alligator

Louisiana's Most Ancient Reptile

Recently, Old Hardhide poked fun at my very warm and trusty hobo blanket, maybe feeling bad I haven't made any mention of how amazing his species is, so this week, let's discuss one of Louisiana's oldest "living fossils" - alligators.

North American alligators have been around a very long time. They roamed this beautiful planet with the dinosaurs and are considered closely related to them.

Many people believe they are dinosaurs, but they are not.

Alligators have been around for around 65 million years, however, which is why it's such a common misconception.

I understand now why Old Hardhide has been impatiently waiting for me to tell the world about how amazing these reptiles are, hinting at the colder weather, so I better hurry up and do it before he falls into his winter slumber and has to wait till next year to read it.

Alligators usually stop eating when the temperature drops below 70 degrees, and once the temperature gets to around 55 degrees Fahrenheit, they become dormant. Since they're reptiles, they can slow their metabolism down and become very lethargic during colder months.

So what do they do during this time? Even though people believe they hibernate, what they actually do is called "brumation." During brumation, alligators don't fall into total sleep, like mammals do during hibernation, and they still have periods of slow activity.

Though they do not eat, they continue to drink to avoid getting dehydrated. They typically brumate at the bottom of swamps, rivers, or ponds, where it's warmer, but they come up to the surface once a day to breathe.

Brumation usually last for about 4–5 months, starting in November and ending in late February.

A group of alligators is called a congregation, but they are mostly solitary animals and very territorial.

One of the strangest facts about alligators is that their sex is determined not by DNA, but by climate. If the temperature in the baby alligator nest is warmer, male alligators hatch, and if the temperature is cooler, all the babies are females.

When the eggs are ready to hatch, the baby alligators use an egg tooth on top of their snouts to break out of the shell, just like birds do. Despite their ferocious reputation, alligators are amazing mothers, and once the babies start to hatch, mom digs them out to help them crawl out of the nest, and sometimes even carries them in her mouth!

Hatchlings are very small compared to their parents, and measure only 6-8 inches when they emerge from their eggs. Mom stays with her young for up to two years, protecting them from predators and bigger alligators during this very vulnerable time.

They're born with a full set of very tiny but razor-sharp, teeth. Alligators replace their teeth once they get worn. Having between 74-80 teeth, they can go through 2000 teeth in one lifetime!

It's important to respect and stay at a distance from these amazing animals, regardless of how easy the Crocodile Hunter Steve Irwin made it look on TV. They may look like slow and lazy creatures, but on land, they can reach speeds of up to 35mph!

So to sum up the last part of this article: remember – never steal BBQ from Old Hardhide unless you can run at least 40 MPH!

SOS Nancy Landry Announces Closed Party Primary Educational Campaign

From LA Secretary of State Nancy Landry

Louisiana Secretary of State Nancy Landry announces the beginning of a comprehensive, months-long, statewide education campaign to inform voters of the legislatively mandated transition to closed party primaries starting in 2026. The campaign begins with an educational mail piece to all households having at least one registered voter, which will arrive in voters' mailboxes in the coming days.

"This educational campaign will ensure that all voters are empowered with the knowledge they need ahead of the transition to closed party primaries," Secretary Landry said. "Because party affiliation is key to participating in the party primaries, I urge all voters to check their voter registration at GeauxVote.com and to make updates as needed."

Per Act 1 of the 2024 First Extraordinary Session, the change to closed party primaries only applies to the offices of U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, Louisiana Supreme Court, Public Service Commission (PSC), and Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE). Other ballot contests will be open to all voters.

Voters are encouraged to visit GeauxVote.com/CPP, download the free Geaux Vote Mobile App, follow the Louisiana Secretary of State on social media, contact their parish Registrar of Voters or Clerk of Court, or call the Secretary of State's Election Hotline at 800-883-2805 to learn more.

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